

"A Note from the Editor"
WELCOME TO BOB'S CORNER:

This Memorial Day, we pause to remember and honor the brave men and women who gave their lives in service to our country.

Their sacrifice has secured the freedoms we enjoy every day, and their courage will never be forgotten. As a community, we extend our deepest gratitude to the fallen and to the families who carry their memory forward. May we always strive to live in a way that honors their legacy and preserves the values they fought to protect.





Up And Coming Events:

TLDA Picnic

The 3 lakes Picnic at The
Watts's @ 12:00pm
August 23, 2025
Food, Games, Raffles & Prizes
If you'd like to be on the committee or help donate raffle prizes or door prizes

TLDA Meeting:

please contact Michelle Lyons

Spring Meeting is May 31st @The French Club @ 9:00am Fall Meeting is Aug 23

4th of July Parade:

Friday July 4th @ The Watts's Line up 9:00 am, Start 10:00am Rain date: 7/5/2025

3 Lakes Rummage Sale

Tentative Dates: June 20 & 21

Warning:

Fire Warning - Three Lakes, MN

Residents and visitors of 3 Lakes: please use extreme caution during this dry season. Fire danger is high, and it only takes one careless act to spark a wildfire that can devastate our homes, forests, and wildlife. Whether you're burning brush, grilling, or enjoying a campfire, make sure fires are completely out, never leave them unattended, and obey all burning restrictions. Embers can carry for miles. Be careful when disposing lit cigarettes. We've seen the damage wildfires can cause—let's not take any chances. Be smart, be safe, and help protect our community.









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Lemon Berry Trifle Ingredients:

- 1 box angel food cake (store-bought or homemade), cut into cubes
- 1 pint fresh strawberries, sliced
- 1 pint fresh blueberries
- 1 pint fresh raspberries (optional)
- 1 (3.4 oz) box instant lemon pudding mix
- 2 cups cold milk
- 1 container (8 oz) whipped topping (like Cool Whip)
- Zest of 1 lemon (optional for garnish)

Instructions:

Make the pudding: Whisk the lemon pudding mix with 2 cups of cold milk. Let it set in the fridge for 5 minutes until thick.

Layer the trifle: In a large glass bowl or trifle dish, layer half the cake cubes, then spoon half the pudding over the top. Add a layer of berries, then a layer of whipped topping.

Repeat the layers until ingredients are used up, ending with whipped topping.

Top it off: Sprinkle with fresh berries and lemon zest.

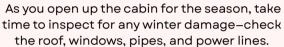
Chill: Let sit in the fridge for at least 1 hour before serving.

Light, fruity, and perfect for spring get-togethers or cabin weekends.

Want a version with rhubarb or something more rustic?

Seasonal Tips:

Spring Tip for Opening the Cabin:



Clear out gutters and debris around the foundation to prevent water issues, and look for signs of pests. A little maintenance now can save you from bigger problems later and get your cabin ready for a safe and relaxing summer!



Special Thank You:

To Ken Maeckelbergh for making signs for 35 years. Job well done! Additionally we are looking for someone to takeover sign duty. Please contact Bill Lowry if you are interested.

Kudos, Cheers, And Applause:

Thanks to all of you who helped with the highway clean-up this spring! Fall clean up is Oct 4th 2025





Fun Fact In History:

On May 8, 1945, Victory in Europe Day (V-E Day) was celebrated as Nazi Germany officially surrendered to Allied forces, marking the end of World War II in Europe.



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Next edition will be Labor Day Weekend

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Spotlight Story, Too Close to Home:

On May 12, 2025, northeastern Minnesota grappled with a series of significant wildfires, collectively burning over 30,000 acres and destroying more than 140 structures over the next few days. The primary fires—Camp House, Jenkins Creek, and Munger Shaw— prompted a peacetime emergency declaration by Governor Tim Walz, activating the Minnesota National Guard and mobilizing multiple agencies for firefighting and emergency response efforts. Also putting evacuations in place for many areas.

The coordinated response involved local, state, and federal agencies:

- Local Fire Departments: St. Louis County, Lake County, and surrounding municipalities
- Local City and County Law Agency's and updates by St Louis County Sheriff
- State Agencies: Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Minnesota Department of Public Safety
- Federal Agencies: U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Emergency Management: St. Louis County Emergency Management, Minnesota Incident Command
- Military Support: Minnesota National Guard

Impact Summary

- Total Acres Burned: Approximately 30,000+
- Structures Destroyed: Over 140, including homes and cabins
- Fatalities: No confirmed deaths reported as of May 20, 2025
- Air Quality: Alerts issued across northeastern Minnesota due to smoke

Weather & Containment Outlook

Recent rainfall and cooler temperatures have aided firefighting efforts, particularly in increasing containment of the Camp House and Munger Shaw fires. However, red flag warnings remain in effect due to low humidity and gusty winds, posing risks for flare-ups and challenging containment lines.

Community Resources & Support

Residents seeking information or assistance can contact:

- Public Hotline: 218-206-6805 (Camp House & Jenkins Creek Fires)
- Donations & Support: Wildland Fire Federation, American Red Cross, United Way Duluth